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Julie,

Just a point of clarification for the greater sage-grouse agenda item. My intent was to have a broader discussion about gsg impacts ie broader than what is typically considered in an HEA.

This item arose out of a discussion I had with Pat Deibert a few weeks ago. The goal is to pull together something that can be referenced (or included) in the Framework. I suggested to Pat that we would put it together and give it to her for review.

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Hi, all,

I am looking forward to our call on Wednesday. Thanks to the folks who emailed me agenda topics - it sounds like we will have a some good discussions. Please think ahead and maybe jot down some ideas regarding our discussion topics.

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Agenda:

1) Project updates  
Boardman to Hemingway  
Cascade Crossing  
Energy Gateway South  
Gateway West  
TransWest Express  
Zephyr  
BPA  
Vantage - Pomona  
Others?

## 2) Important Issues and Topics

Sage-grouse: FYI...Knick et al 2013. Modeling ecological minimum requirements for distribution of greater sage-grouse leks: implications for population connectivity across their western range, U.S.A. Ecology and Evolution. See attached and press release: <http://www.usgs.gov/newsroom/article.asp?ID=3567&from=rss#.UX6hm3WvN8E>

Sage-grouse: think ahead...List of impacts transmission lines have on sage-grouse. What specific direct and indirect effects should all transmission lines review in their HEAs (or similar; for consistency among t-lines and to provide a scientifically-based defense for our recommendations)? Review projects we are currently working on and pull all potential direct and indirect impacts - we can add to the Google Drive spreadsheet that I am creating and sending out. We can work on this collaboratively with our new email system!

Migratory birds/RRTT: FYI...Still waiting to see draft migratory bird conservation plans (GWW and EGS); potentially waiting for BLM to receive guidance from their HQ.

Others?

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We abuse land because we regard it as a commodity belonging to us. When we see land as a community to which we belong, we may begin to use it with love and respect. ~Aldo Leopold, A Sand County Almanac